(b) if so, when; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN) (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Due to operational constraints and lack of resources.

Restoration of express Train Between Madras and Quilon

6490. DR. P.VALLAL PERUMAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the government have received representations for the restoration of a day-time Express train via chord line between Madras Central and Quilon;

(b) if so, the decision taken in this regard; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes , Sir.

(b) Examined but not found feasible.

(c) due to poor patronisation.

Stoppage of Sethu and Pearl City Express at Pennadm Station

6491. DR.P.VALLAL PERUMAN: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a long standing demand for the stoppage of Sethu Express and Pearl City Express and Pearl City Express at Pennadam Station;

(b) if so, the decision taken in this regard;

(c) whether the old damaged building at the station is proposed to be reconstructed and; and

(d) if so, when it will be taken up for execution?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Examined but not found feasible.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Expansion of airport in Aizawl, Mizoram

6492. DR. C.SILVERA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the government have received requests from the Government of Mizoram for expansion of the existing airport in Aizawl to enable landing of all types of aircraft;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government have proposal to upgrade this airport to national standard; and

(d) if so, the steps taken in this regard and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a)and (b). The Government of Mizoram